

# House File 2518 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL  
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(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 647)

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to rules for the discharge of wastewater from  
2 water well drilling sites.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
4 TLSB 6093HV 82  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.198 WASTEWATER DISCHARGE  
1 2 FROM WELL DRILLING SITES == RULES.  
1 3 1. The commission shall adopt rules to regulate the  
1 4 discharge of wastewater from water well drilling sites. The  
1 5 rules shall incorporate the following considerations:  
1 6 a. The size of the well as measured by the flow of water  
1 7 in gallons per minute.  
1 8 b. The best management practices to address wastewater  
1 9 discharge.  
1 10 c. Requirements for notification to the department prior  
1 11 to the commencement of drilling operations.  
1 12 d. Requirements for retention of records for a well.  
1 13 e. Reasonable and appropriate limitations on wastewater  
1 14 discharge that take into consideration the need for the well  
1 15 and the need to protect the environment.  
1 16 2. The commission shall have the authority in the rules to  
1 17 provide for the issuance of a general permit and to establish  
1 18 fees sufficient to recover the costs of issuing the general  
1 19 permits.  
1 20 3. The commission shall convene an advisory committee that  
1 21 includes representatives of the Iowa water well association to  
1 22 assist in the development of the rules.  
1 23 4. The rules shall be adopted no later than July 31, 2009.  
1 24 EXPLANATION  
1 25 This bill relates to water well drilling.  
1 26 The bill directs the environmental protection commission to  
1 27 develop rules for water well drilling and requires the rules  
1 28 to incorporate the following considerations: the size of the  
1 29 well as measured by the flow of water in gallons per minute,  
1 30 best management practices to address wastewater discharge,  
1 31 requirements for notification to the department prior to the  
1 32 commencement of drilling operations, requirements for  
1 33 retention of records for a well, and reasonable and  
1 34 appropriate limitations on wastewater discharge that consider  
1 35 the need for the well and the need to protect the environment.  
2 1 The bill directs the commission to convene an advisory  
2 2 committee of representatives from the Iowa water well  
2 3 association to assist in the development of the rules.  
2 4 The bill provides that the rules be adopted no later than  
2 5 July 31, 2009.  
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